

APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS SCHOOL REFORM PARTNERS FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into agreements with various school reform partners listed below to provide consulting services to select Chicago Public Schools/Chicago Teachers Union Partnership Schools at a cost not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$311,473.00. Consultants were selected pursuant to a joint evaluation by CPS and the Chicago Teachers Union as to each partner's ability to implement a nationally recognized, scientifically researched-based elementary and high school reform model. Written agreements for Consultants' services are currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to any Consultant during the term prior to the execution of such Consultant's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Consultant in the event a written agreement for such Consultant is not executed within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

<u>1. Consultant</u>	<u>CPS/CTU</u>	
	<u>Partnership</u>	<u>School</u> <u>Region</u>
Southern Regional Educational Center	Collins	3
High Schools That Work	Richards	4
592 Tenth Street, NW		
Atlanta, GA 30318		
Not to Exceed: \$77,880.00		
Contact Person: Tony Dobbins		
(404) 879-5542		
Vendor Number: 14346		
2. Success for All Foundation	Attucks	4
200 W. Towsontown Blvd	Burke	4
Baltimore, MD 21204-5200	Chalmers	3
Not to Exceed: \$233,593.00	Medill	3
Contact: Sean Christian		
(800) 548-4998		
Vendor Number: 46118		

USER: Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability
 125 South Clark Street, 11th Floor
 Daniel Bugler
 (773) 553-2324

TERM: The term of each agreement shall commence on October 28, 2004 and shall end June 30, 2005. Each agreement shall have one option to renew for a period of one year subject to Board approval. The cost of the option period will be negotiated at the time of such renewal.

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM: Schools that have been on probation for two consecutive years and are on the State's Academic Watch List or Early Warning List or in corrective action are potential CTU/CPS partnership schools. Staff in the partnership schools must vote to implement curriculum models with proven track records in improving academic achievement. Curriculum model consultants will work with partnership schools in implementing a school reform model for each partnership school. Schools in the program are expected to meet NCLB/State and CPS accountability requirements at the end of the program's first year. Schools that make adequate progress under the requirements on ISAT/ITBS and No Child Left Behind related performance criteria will remain eligible to continue in the program. Schools that fail to make adequate progress after one year may be eligible for closure.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Each of the consultants will implement its own unique reform model at the selected schools. The reform models shall contain the following components: curriculum (including subject matter blocks, recommended class sizes, assessments, support); governance and staffing (including decision-making model); structure of the school day (including extended day, planning time, professional development activities); and accountability measures (including ITBS/ISAT scores, student attendance, parental involvement).

DELIVERABLES: Deliverables will vary according to each vendor's proposal. The Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability shall monitor delivery of deliverables specified in each vendor's contract.

OUTCOMES: Consultants' services will 1) increase student achievement, 2) meet NCLB/State/CPS accountability requirements, 3) improve school leadership, including school organization and fiscal management, 3) establish a student-centered learning climate, 4) provide effective professional development activities, and 5) promote parent community partnerships

COMPENSATION: Consultants shall be paid as periodic invoices are submitted and verified, in amounts not to exceed those listed above for each consultant; total compensation, in the aggregate, not to exceed \$311,473.00.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The participation goal provisions of the Plan do not apply to transactions where the vendor is a not-for-profit organization.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Research, Evaluation & Accountability:	\$311,473.00	Fiscal Year: 2005
Charge	0012-239-236-8923-5410	\$200,000.00
	0012-239-873-8923-5410	\$111,473.00

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

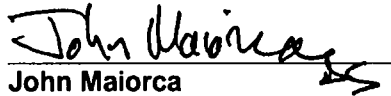
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



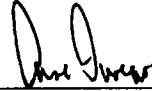
Barbara Eason- Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel